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Examiner : Deepak Rao  
Group : 1624  
Applicants : Guy W. Bemis et al.  
Application No.: 09/336,266 Confirmation No.: 7430  
Filed : June 18, 1999  
For : INHIBITORS OF P38

New York, New York  
August 27, 2001

Hon. Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT AND REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

This is in response to the May 25, 2001 Office Action issued in the above-identified application. A response is due August 27, 2001.\* Therefore, this response is timely filed.

Kindly amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please delete the first paragraph of the specification, which was added in the March 20, 2001 Amendment and Reply to Office Action, and replace it with the following paragraph:

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\* The last day for responding to the communication is August 25, 2001, which falls on a Saturday. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.7, applicants may submit the response on the next business day.

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